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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Shuji SOGA et al.
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For: PRODUCT RECYCLE FEE PAYMENT METHOD AND SYSTEM
Group: 3629
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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

December 16, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 25, 2003, setting a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on December 25, 2003, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks are included following the amendments.

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